

V. Summary of Claimed Subject Matter²

The invention as defined by independent claim 1 is directed to a polyamide composition comprising a blend which is comprised of (a) a polyamide base resin (page 2, line 14 through page 3, line 8), (b) 0.1 to 1 weight% of a black polyaniline derivative (page 6, lines 28-29), (c) 0.1 to 5 weight% of at least one branching agent having functional groups that can react with functional groups of the polyamide base resin (page 3, lines 26-34 and page 6, lines 12-27 and original presentation of now canceled claim 4), and (d) 0.1 to 1 weight% of carbon black (page 6, lines 27-28), wherein the weight% is relative to the amount of the polyamide base resin (page 6, lines 25-26).

The invention as defined by independent claim 8 is directed to a process for preparing a polyamide composition comprising melt-mixing components (7, lines 22-23) comprising a polyamide base resin (page 7, line 26), a polyaniline (page 7, line 26-27), at least one branching agent having functional groups that can react with functional groups of the polyamide base resin (page 7, lines 27-28), and carbon black (page 7, line 28).

² The numbers in parenthesis refer to page and line numbers of the originally filed specification.